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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to express their sincere condolences to the family and friends of Hazel Dooley Watson, who passed away on March 18, 2001; and

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WHEREAS, Hazel Dooley Watson was born on May 20, 1906, in Metcalf County, Kentucky to Frank and Ferbie Walker Dooley; she married the late Dallas V. Watson on June 11, 1924; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Watson held many careers during her lifetime which included selling insurance for State Farm, and owning a grocery store and the Chatter Box Restaurant in Charleston, Illinois; she worked for the State of Illinois as Revenue Department Supervisor of Assessments and as the State Lunch Supervisor for Schools; she was a recipient of an honorary degree from Eastern Illinois University as Doctor of Political Science; and

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WHEREAS, Hazel Watson was an active fixture in Republican activities around the State for decades and was cited by the Republican National Committee as the oldest active Republican in the country; she served as past president of the Illinois Federation of Republican Women and on the National Federation Board, Honorary State Central Committee Woman for the 19th Congressional District; she was a member of the Charleston Women's Club, the Elks Ladies Auxiliary, the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center Guild, the Charleston Country Club, and a lifetime member of the Methodist Church; she was also an avid Bridge player; and

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WHEREAS, The passing of Hazel Dooley Watson will be deeply felt by all who knew and loved her, especially her niece, Mary Jane Biggs; her nephew, Stanley Watson; her several cousins; and her many, many friends in the Republican party; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL  
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
3 all who knew her, the death of Hazel Dooley Watson of  
4 Charleston, Illinois; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the family of Hazel Dooley Watson with our  
7 sincere condolences.